

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449/PTO <b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT</b> <i>(Use as many sheets as necessary)</i>				<b>Complete if Known</b>	
				<b>Application Number</b>	10/661,926
				<b>Filing Date</b>	2003-09-11
				<b>First Named Inventor</b>	CHMAYTELLI; Mazen
				<b>Art Unit</b>	2476
				<b>Examiner Name</b>	Venkatesh N. Haliyur
<b>Sheet</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>of</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Attorney Docket No:</b> 990545	

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
<b>Examiner Initials*</b>	<b>Cite No.<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Document Number</b>	<b>Publication Date</b> MM-DD-YYYY	<b>Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document</b>	<b>Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear</b>
		<b>Number-Kind Code<sup>2</sup>(if known)</b>			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS					
<b>Examiner Initials*</b>	<b>Cite No.<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Foreign Patent Document</b>	<b>Publication Date</b> MM-DD-YYYY	<b>Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document</b>	<b>Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear</b>
		<b>Country Code<sup>3</sup>-Number<sup>4</sup>-Kind Code<sup>5</sup>(if known)</b>			
	001	JP10164269A	06-19-1998	RICOH KK .	
	002	JP10304044A	11-13-1998	CANON KK .	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	003	JP10304052A	11-13-1998	CANON KK .	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	004	JP2000059502A	02-25-2000	HITACHI COMMUNICATION SYSTEM .	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	005	JP2001144851	05-25-2001	NEC SAITAMA LTD.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	006	JP2003078609A	03-14-2003	ARUZE CORP .	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	007	JP2004128857A	04-22-2004	MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC IND CO LTD .	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	008	JP8228236	09-03-1996	CANON INC.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	009	JP9162980A	06-20-1997	NEC CORP .	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS					
<b>Examiner Initials*</b>	<b>Cite No.</b>	<b>Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.</b>			<b>T2</b>

**EXAMINER SIGNATURE****DATE CONSIDERED**

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. <sup>1</sup>Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). <sup>2</sup>See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at [www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov) or MPEP 901.04. <sup>3</sup>Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). <sup>4</sup>For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. <sup>5</sup>Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. <sup>6</sup>Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached. This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. **SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.**

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.